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1. During the past three weeks there has been a state of extreme tension throughout Yugoslavia. There have been continual incidents along the Hungarian and Bulgarian frontiers which, according to the Yugoslav General Staff, will be the first to feel an attack in the event of war. These incidents have created an atmosphere of uncertainty felt by the Government and the entire populace. No hope exists that Marshal Tito, without outside aid, can overcome the sanctions imposed on Yugoslavia by the Cominform.

2. Measures taken by the Yugoslav Government to counteract the organization of Cominform sabotage are so drastic that they constitute an intolerable burden on the economic structure of the country. These measures reach into every small village of the land. The Yugoslav armed forces and the police are in a constant state of alert. Rail, sea and road traffic are under the strictest control.

3. Yugoslav counter-espionage services are now better organized and with more money and technical facilities at their disposition. These services place particular emphasis on the surveillance of foreigners inside the country. The counter-espionage services in general are able to spot and control Cominform agents, but many enjoy diplomatic immunity or can bring foreign pressure to bear, if molested.

4. A new section in JUTOS (Yugoslav Secret Information Service) was recently organized whose function is to disseminate "plant" material to foreign agents. Until recently this work was done by the UDB. Since results in the past were unsatisfactory, a new section JUTOS had to be established; it comprises 150 members and its agents are sent to the parts of the country where foreign, particularly Soviet-satellite agents, are most operative. The new section is reportedly producing satisfactory results.

5. The UDB is currently concentrating almost exclusively on internal political security. It recently succeeded in neutralizing 11 Cominformist groups working inside Yugoslavia under the Soviet agent, Pavel Smirnov, who was directing sabotage operations from Bulgaria. Among those arrested were 11 members of the Yugoslav Army (unidentified) who were immediately shot, while the remainder numbering 30, will soon be tried.

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6. Members of the armed forces and the police found guilty of anti-Government activity are interrogated, and secretly executed to avoid adverse publicity. According to members of the Smirnov net interrogated by the UDB, Smirnov is also running sabotage units out of Rumania, Hungary and Rebel-occupied Greece.

7. Smirnov allegedly speaks perfect French, German and Polish. He was formerly a member of a Soviet net discovered in Paris in 1947. He uses the following pseudonyms: Professor Djuro Alacimovic; Dr. Boris Pouloff, journalist; Kosta Naumovic, businessman; and Jean Faucigny.

8. The Yugoslav Ministry of Interior is offering a reward of one million dinars for Smirnov's capture.

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